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Minutes of August 12, 1948

The regular meeting of the Pinellas County Juvenile Welfare Welfare Board was held August 12, 1948, in Clearwater, at ten a.m., with the following members present: Mrs. Holland, Miss Phillips, Judge Marshall, Mr. Fuguit, Mr. Belcher, and Mrs. Bartlett. Also attending were the director, Dr. Williams, and Mrs. Ripper, director of District 4 Welfare Board.

The minutes of July 29 were read and approved.

Bills amounting to $235.33 were presented. Mr. Belcher moved and Mr. Fuguit seconded that these be paid and the motion carried unanimously.

Dr. Williams presented the Inter-Agency Agreement to the Board for study before the voting on it at the next Board meeting. He reported no new developments in the Hillsboro-detention-care agreement and wanted the Board's reactions on the possibility of using foster homes for delinquents.

Mrs. Ripper gave a most satisfactory account of the first month's program of the Child Welfare Unit. Her report showed the following:

- 14 children now in long-term placement (old cases),
- 15 requests for placement of 28 children (new cases),
- 4 homes set up to accommodate 11 children in shelter care (on 24-hour call),
- 4 other homes for shelter care (limited to day-time call),
- Considerable time spent in reviewing cases and in hunting more foster homes,
- Opening up a charge account with 10% discount for necessary clothes,
- The need for more money to increase placements.

Mrs. Ripper also explained that the runaway boy from Albuquerque had made enough money working to pay his way back home and that he had left the previous night. The other boy who had been in the Juvenile Home so long had been placed in a foster home where he was making a good adjustment, and had saved $50.00 already, $30.00 of which he had repaid to the Juvenile Home for his board.

Dr. Williams reported there were no children at present in the Juvenile Home.

Mrs. Bartlett suggested clothes be used from the Juvenile Home for needy foster home children.

The meeting adjourned at approximately 12 o'clock till August 26 at 9:30 a.m.

[Signature]

Secretary